

**Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education
Key Indicators of Progress Toward Postsecondary Reform
2003 Revisions -- DRAFT**

Question 1: Are more Kentuckians ready for postsecondary education?

Key Indicators	New Indicator	Level
A Percentage of adults with at least a high school diploma or GED		Systemwide
B Average ACT scores of high school graduates		Systemwide
C Number of college-level courses per 1,000 HS juniors and seniors		Systemwide
D <i>Measuring Up</i> affordability measures		Systemwide

Related Information		Level
Percentage of adults at literacy levels one and two		Systemwide
Percentage of high school graduates taking the ACT		Systemwide
Percentage of high school students completing the ACT core coursework		Systemwide
9th - 12th graders taking at least one upper-level math course	X	Systemwide
9th - 12th graders taking at least one upper-level science course	X	Systemwide
8th grade students taking Algebra		Systemwide
8th graders scoring at/above "proficient" on the NAEP in math, reading, science, and writing	X	Systemwide
Enrollment in Adult Education programs	X	Systemwide
Number of GEDs Awarded	X	Systemwide
Institutional Need-Based Aid	X	Institution-specific

Question 2: Are more students enrolling?

Key Indicators	New Indicator	Level
A Number of undergraduates		Institution-specific
B Number of graduates/professionals		Institution-specific
C Percentage of 9th graders enrolling in college within 4 years in any state		Systemwide
D College-going rates of GED completers within two years		Systemwide

Related Information		Level
Number of students enrolled in online or distance education	X	Institution-specific
Number of students enrolled in KYVU credit courses		Systemwide
Percentage of the population 18 - 24 enrolled in KY colleges	X	Systemwide
Percentage of the population 25 - 49 enrolled in KY colleges	X	Systemwide
Percentage of the population 18-24 enrolled in KY colleges from target counties	X	Systemwide
Percentage of the population 25 - 49 enrolled in KY colleges from target counties	X	Systemwide
Percentage of students attending college directly out of high school from target counties		Systemwide
Percentage of students attending college directly out of high school		Systemwide
Enrollment by race/ethnicity and gender	X	Institution-specific
College-going by race/ethnicity and gender	X	Systemwide

Question 3: Are more students advancing through the system?

Key Indicators	New Indicator	Level
A	One-year retention rates of first time freshmen	Institution-specific
B	Number of community and technical college transfers	Institution-specific
C	Percentage of adults with a bachelor's degree or higher	Systemwide
D	Six-year graduation rates of bachelor's degree students	Institution-specific (Universities)

Related Information		Level
One-year retention rates of underprepared students		Institution-specific
One-year retention rates by race/ethnicity and gender	X	Institution-specific
One-year retention rates of students from target counties	X	Institution-specific
One-year retention rates of GED graduates	X	Institution-specific
Native retention rates	X	Institution-specific
Average number of credit hours transferred		Institution-specific (KCTCS and LCC)
Five-year graduation rates of transfer students - three year averages		Institution-specific (Universities)
Three-year graduation rates of associate's degree students	X	Institution-specific (KCTCS and LCC)
Graduation rates by race/ethnicity and gender	X	Institution-specific
Percentage of adults with some college or an associate degree	X	Systemwide
Percentage of adults with graduate or professional degree	X	Systemwide

Question 4: Are we preparing Kentuckians for life and work?*

Key Indicators	New Indicator	Level
A Undergraduate experience -- National Survey of Student Engagement		Institution-specific (Universities)
B Civic engagement - Selected indicators from NSSE		Institution-specific (Universities)
C Certificates, degrees, and diplomas awarded	X	Institution-specific
D Certificates, degrees, and diplomas awarded in KY's priority areas	X	Institution-specific

Related Information		Level
Alumni satisfaction - Undergraduate alumni survey results		Institution-specific
Civic engagement - Undergraduate alumni survey results		Institution-specific
Teacher Preparation Programs		Institution-specific (Universities)
Certificates, degrees and diplomas awarded per 100 undergraduates	X	Institution-specific
Residents voting in national elections	X	Systemwide
Percentage of federal itemizers declaring charitable gifts	X	Systemwide
Licensure and Certification Exam results	X	Institution-specific

*Further revision of Question 4 indicators will be necessary once learning grade results become available.

Question 5: Are Kentucky's communities and economy benefiting?**

Key Indicators	New Indicator	Level
A	Extramural research and public service expenditures - three-year average	Institution-specific (Comprehensive Universities)
B	Extramural research and development expenditures	Institution-specific (UK and UofL)
C	Federal research and development expenditures	Institution-specific (UK and UofL)

Related Information		Level
Percentage of college graduates working in Kentucky - by level		Systemwide
Percentage of out-of-state college students who stay in Kentucky after graduation		Systemwide
Endowments in the research priority areas of the knowledge-based economy		Institution-specific (UK and UofL)
Expenditures from endowments and gifts in the research priority areas of the KBE		Institution-specific (UK and UofL)
Increase in total personal income as result of percentage of population with bachelor's degree	X	Systemwide
Increase in total personal income as result of percentage of population with some college	X	Systemwide
Per Capita Personal Income	X	Systemwide
Percentage of graduates in priority areas who stay in Kentucky after graduation	X	Systemwide
Regional migration indicator	X	Systemwide
Institutional civic engagement	X	Institution-specific
Efficiency/productivity measures	X	Institution-specific
Total R & D expenditures per capita	X	Systemwide
Licenses and patents generated	X	Institution-specific (UK and UofL)
State New Economy Index	X	Systemwide
Development Report Card for the States	X	Systemwide

**Fourth indicator under Question 5 to be determined.